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Tarentola mauritanica, salamanquesa común and Geco mediterráneo (in Spanish), Moorish Wall Gecko and Moorish Gecko (in English), is a widespread gecko around the Mediterranean African and European zones (Joger 1984; see also <http://maps.iucnredlist.org/map.html?id=61578>), including Greece and Crete (ibid.). The last source describes introduced populations in the north of Italy, Balearic Islands, and Tenerife. The Moorish Wall Gecko is a species that exploits human resources to inhabit areas beyond its original Mediterranean distribution. Outside Europe and north Africa, it has been introduced and established in San Diego County in the U.S. (Mahrtdt 1998; see more details in <http://reptile-database.reptarium.cz/species?genus=Tarentola&species=mauritanica>).

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